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1. THE LARGE CHRISTIAN LABOR ORGANIZATION ACLI, WHICH IN RECENT YEARS HAD DRIFTED WELL TO THE LEFT OF BOTH THE CHRISTIAN DEMOCRATIC PARTY AND AND THE DC-ORIENTED TRADE UNION CONFEDERATION CISL, HAS ISSUED THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT IN CONNECTION WITH RECENT TRIALS OF WORKERS IN POLAND:

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QUOTE THE NATIONAL DIRECTORATE OF ACLI EXPRESSES ITS FIRM

DISSENT AGAINST THE GRAVE VERDICTS OF THE POLISH COURTS WHICH HAVE ISSUED VERY SEVERE JUDGMENT AGAINST THE WORKERS GUILTY OF HAVING DEMONSTRATED FOR THE IMPROVEMENT OF THEIR LIVING CONDITIONS WHICH, IN VIEW OF THE ALREADY LOW PURCHASING POWER OF THEIR WAGES, WERE RENDERED PRECARIOUS BY THE HEAVY INCREASES LEVIED BY THE GOVERNMENT ON ESSENTIAL COMMODITIES.

DERIVING FROM ITS NATURE AS THE CHRISTIAN ELEMENT IN THE LABOR MOVEMENT, ACLI FIGHTS ANY ATTEMPT TO LIMIT AND DISCRIMINATE AGAINST THE FREEDOM OF EXPRESSION AND OF INITIATIVE OF THE WORKING CLASS. THEREFORE, WITH RESPECT TO THESE EVENTS, WE OBJECTIVELY CONSIDER VERY GRAVE THE ATTITUDE TAKEN BY THE POLISH LABOR ORGANIZATIONS WHICH HAVE RENOUNCED THE EXERCISE OF THEIR NATURAL ROLE OF PROTECTING THOSE INTERESTS FOR WHICH THE POLISH WORKERS HAVE DEMONSTRATED. THE POLISH EVENTS PRESENT ONCE AGAIN, WITH GREAT CLARITY, ONE OF THE FUNDAMENTAL CRITICISMS WHICH ACLI HAS ALWAYS RAISED IN CONNECTION WITH THE SOCIALIST EXPERIENCE OF THE EASTERN COUNTRIES, AND WHICH CONSISTS OF THE DENUNCIATION OF THE ABSENCE OF A REAL DIALECTIC BETWEEN THE LABOR MOVEMENT AND THE STATE POWER WHICH ADMINISTERS THE PLANNED ECONOMY. THE NATIONAL DIRECTORATE OF ACLI EMPHASIZES THE NECESSITY THAT THE PARTICIPATORY PROCESS, THE DEMOCRATIC MOBILIZATION CURRENTLY BEING MANIFESTED IN POLAND OUGHT TO DEVELOP AND GROW WITH THE NECESSARY INTERNATIONAL SOLIDARITY, WHICH INCLUDES THE CHRISITAN WORKERS OF ACLI. END SUMMARY.VOLPE

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